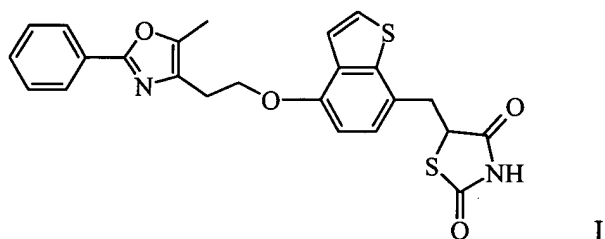
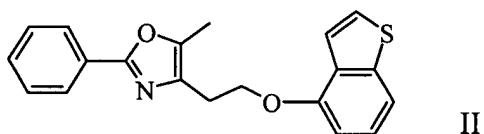


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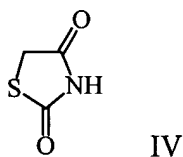
The present invention is concerned with a novel process for the preparation of compounds of formula I



comprising bromomethylation or chloromethylation of a compound of formula II



and subsequent reaction with a compound of formula IV



The compounds of formula I and the corresponding salts, e.g. the sodium salts, are pharmaceutically active substances.